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AGENDA GENEVA COUNTY COMMISSION January 28, 2019

9:30 a.m. Welcome-Commission Chairman Toby Seay Prayer-Commissioner Brannon Pledge of Allegiance-Commission Chairman Toby Seay

Public Comment from Citizens on Agenda or approved to speak by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Public Comment from Elected Officials

Roll Call-Call to Order

New Business:

- 1. Approve Minutes of January 14, 2019
- 2. Proclamation:
- 3. Bids:

Old Business:

- 1. Jail Construction:
- 2. Courthouse:
- 3. Board Appointments:
- 4. Bids:

Reports from Staff:

Sheriff
Chief Administrative Officer
County Engineer
County Attorney
Commission Chairman

Commissioner Brannon Commissioner Spivey Commissioner Wilks Commissioner Hammer Adjourn The Geneva County Commission met in regular session on Monday, January 28, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. at the Geneva County Courthouse in Geneva, Alabama.

Commission Chairman Toby Seay called the meeting to order and welcome guests and media present. Commissioner Brannon opened the meeting with prayer. Chairman Seay led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no citizens requesting to make public comment.

There were no elected officials requesting to make public comment.

Chairman Seay called the roll and the following members were present: Commissioners Weston Spivey, Todd Brannon, Bart Wilks and Sandy Hammer. The County Attorney, Phil Eldridge; County Engineer, Justin Barfield; Chief Administrative Officer, Marietta Webster were also present. The following business was transacted:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Approve Minutes of January 14, 2019. Commissioner Hammer made a motion to approve the minutes January 14, 2019. Commissioner Wilks seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.
- 2. Proclamations: N/A
- 3. Bids: N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Jail Construction: Chairman stated that there will be a meeting at the jail construction site, Tuesday morning at 9:00 a. m. and to discuss some changing orders dealing with water. Commissioners may attend the meeting.
- 2. Courthouse: Chairman updated the commission on the lighting situation for the outside of the courthouse. A vendor has come by and looked at the issue and will be getting back with him with cost and labor for lights.
- 3. Board Appointments: Commissioner Wilks made a motion to appoint Chairman Seay as county representative for the Metropolitan Planning Organization. Commissioner Spivey seconded the meeting. Vote was 4-0.
- 4. Bids: N/A
- 5. Commissioner Wilks made the motion to allow Scott Farmer with Southeast Planning and Development, to speak on the Strategic Plan requested by the commission. Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0. Mr. Farmer with Southeast Planning and Development presented the Strategic Plan for the County at the cost of \$2500 for services and explained that they would be working with the commission by having meetings to discuss the areas that need to be addressed and provide direction with the process to accomplish the goals of the plan. Commissioner Hammer made the motion to approve \$2,500 payment for

services to be provided by Southeast Alabama Planning and Development. Commissioner Brannon seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

REPORTS OF STAFF:

Sheriff: Sheriff Helms was not available due to conference and Chief Deputy Staley presented the information that was given to him by the Sheriff. Three vehicles were purchased from Coffee County by the Sheriff's Department with their funds.

Chief Deputy Staley reported that the department would like approval to enter a contract with Tango Tango system that will bridge their smartphone to the radios within each deputy's car. The surrounding counties are implementing the system. The system will also give them the capabilities to communicate with other cities and counties when situations put them together and they are not near their radios plus it makes it where they all can hear what the others are reporting at the time of a situation. Commissioner Hammer made a motion to allow Sheriff to enter into two-year contract with Tango Tango System at the cost of \$2,208 per year at this time. Commissioner Spivey seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

The jail camera system is having issues and cannot be fixed due to the age of the cameras. The department has gotten the quote of the cameras for the jail which is \$2200 to replace the cameras. Commissioner Wilks made a motion to purchase cameras as quoted. Commissioner Brannon seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0

<u>County Administrator:</u> Mrs. Webster reminded the commission that they were signed up for the District meeting to be held February 7th at 6:00 p. m. in Elba and they had been registered and fee paid.

<u>County Engineer:</u> Engineer presented the financial documents from Bancorp on financing the Knuckle boom truck with five yearly payments of \$31,638.45. Commissioner Wilks made a motion to approve finance documents with Bancorp and allow Chairman Seay to sign documents and to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Engineer stated that they are still in the process of picking up debris as weather permits and that at this the amount of debris will amount to around \$170,000. The policy set by the commission that gives the cutoff date for all debris to be put by the road by citizens should be upheld to finish the project as required by FEMA. FEMA will close out on May 5 and hopefully paperwork can be in by June with reimbursement to follow.

Updated that he has EOII applications open and waiting on the applications from personnel.

H-RRR funds were applied prior have been approved for the department to receive \$8,500 which is for stripping, safety enhancements, signs and end capping of bridges, etc. which is better than nothing.

Engineer stated that he had a list of computer equipment that could be sold on Gov Deals and Mrs. Webster asked that the Mitel system and phones be added to the list. Commissioner Spivey made a motion to surplus the miscellaneous computer equipment list from Road and Bridge and the Courthouse Mitel phone system and phones to be sold. Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Engineer stated that Samson requested road patchwork for potholes in some of their streets. Commissioner Hammer made a motion to allow Road and Bridge to patch potholes for Samson with them reimbursing. Commissioner Brannon seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Commissioner Spivey made a motion to allow fill dirt to be hauled for the City of Slocomb. Commissioner Wilks seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

The department has prepared for salting of bridges if a problem arises due cold temperatures and ice.

Engineer has taken three options to sell the 2019 Kenworth dump trucks and purchase and replace new trucks to rotate out. The proposals of value to receive on the 2019 trucks show that they were used one year and will resell through one proposal as a gain. Commissioner Brannon made the motion to allow Engineer to use JM Wood Auction for the sale of the three 2019 dump trucks. Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Engineer discussed the possibility of the gas tax that is being brought up in State Legislation and said he was not sure of the distribution and changes in their proposal. Discussion

<u>County Attorney:</u> Attorney Eldridge noted that last time he had updated the commission concerning the litigation on opioids. The fact sheet that had been requested for ten years has been compiled by Marietta and me. Attorney had spoken with the Sheriff and he should have his ready but have not received it so waiting on the Sheriff.

Coroner had brought to the commission the question concerning transport of bodies to forensic and who was responsible for the cost. Attorney had researched the laws and it shows that the Coroner has ten days to send cost to Commission once body is delivered and then if owed by a city, the bill is sent to the city for payment to the County and City has 30 days to pay. Once paid by City, then transport cost is paid. The law gives a forty-day period for the process to complete the payment.

<u>Chairman Seay:</u> Chairman stated that he had listed items that needed to be addressed and some were from last meeting. Some issues had already been addressed earlier.

GPS vendors were discussed and cost of the product. The GPS will be installed on the 6-Solid Waste, EMA, Courthouse Maintenance and Reappraisal vehicle. Commissioner

Brannon made a motion to accept Solar Track GPS at 9.95 per month per vehicle and note that no contract required with this vendor. Commissioner Wilks seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

Chairman noted that the air conditioner has been installed at Chancellor Community Center which will be reimbursed by R C & D Council in the amount of \$2,500 which he will be completing the paperwork required to get the reimbursement.

Commissioner Seay discussed the website and updating or change possibilities.

Chairman reminded the commissioner about the meeting at the Jail Construction site trailer at 9 a. m. Tuesday.

Chairman noted that the commission needed to set a time for a work session to discuss the Strategic Plan. The work session will be held after lunch on Monday, February 25.

Chairman discussed the rules of closing the courthouse which requires the commission to address the issue each time in a meeting unless they allow otherwise by resolution. If there is an emergency, the commission must decide as to how the commission should have it handled. Commissioner Hammer made a motion to allow Chairman Seay to make the decision concerning closing courthouse if weather worsens on Tuesday of this week. Commissioner Brannon seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0. A policy will be prepared, to be addressed at next meeting for future events.

Chairman discussed the cost of key fobs for doors at the Annex Commissioner Hammer made a motion to approve the purchase of key fob entries for the Annex building doors. Commissioner Brannon seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

<u>Commissioner Brannon:</u> Commissioner Brannon asked question pertaining to a Board Member about contact information since he was working on confirming reappointments to a board that were coming up.

Commissioner Spivey: Commissioner Spivey questioned dog pounds. County Attorney stated that there is a law concerning the county pound and impounding officer which was done as an unfunded mandate. The county does not have funds available to handle the cost involved and has problems with funding the services that are required. Attorney explained that policing dogs in the city, is the city's responsibility. Commissioner Spivey asked that it be considered in their discussion over the next four years.

<u>Commissioner Wilks:</u> Commissioner Wilks addressed the issue of the Farm Center needing a rack to store chairs and additional chairs bough to replace broken. The purchases will be handled.

Commissioner Hammer: Nothing to report.

Commissioner Hammer made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Brannon seconded the motion. Vote was 4-0.

The above constitutes the minutes of the meeting of the Geneva County Commission held on Monday, January 28, 2019.

Chairman, Toby Seay

Commissioner Weston Spivey

Commissioner Bart Wilks

Marietta Webster Chief Administrative Clerk

Commissioner Todd Brannon

Commissioner Hamme